

(SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.)

The loss of Rs. 10-0-3 per palla in the case of imported rice is set off by the margin available in the issue price over local procurement price.

(d) Rs. 12-12-2 per palla of jowar now imported.

Adjournment Motion *re* Police shooting at K.G.F.

Mr. SPEAKER.—On the 9th instant, several Hon'ble Members spoke about the admissibility of the adjournment motion of which notice has been given by Sri J. Mohamed Imam and Sri S. Srinivasa Iyengar. For the convenience of the Hon'ble Members I will read the motion again. It is as follows :

"That this House do stand adjourned to raise a debate on a definite matter of urgent public importance and of recent occurrence namely the recent shooting by the Police at K.G.F. resulting in several casualties."

I have given deep consideration to the several points urged in favour of holding that a *prima facie* case for admitting this motion has been made out. But I have come to the conclusion that the motion is not in order.

With the advent of Responsible Government it has become necessary for not to consider an adjournment motion as an ordinary or a routine method of introducing a subject for debate and thus interrupting the appointed programme of business. This aspect of the matter has been dealt with by the Speaker of the Constituent Assembly of India when functioning as the Indian Legislature, in what is known as Mir Laik Ali Case. I have asked the Secretary to get relevant extracts from that ruling printed and circulated to Hon'ble Members. It has there been stated that "since the Ministry is now fully responsible to the House and members have now ample opportunities of discussing various matters, any impression that an adjournment motion continues to be a normal device for raising a discussion

on any important matter as in the past would be incorrect." I might also refer to a ruling of the Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly on the 19th January 1938 wherein it has been stated that "the principle of the fixity of the day's programme has to be considered to be at least as important if not more important than the right to move an adjournment motion and it is in this conflict of two principles that admissibility of an adjournment motion has to be considered." Finally I would invite attention to the ruling of the President of the Indian Legislative Assembly given on 16th July 1930, which is as follows :

"Motions for adjournment are meant for obtaining an immediate debate on grave and serious matters which cannot otherwise be immediately and effectively dealt with and the very object of such motions will be lost if they are permitted to assume the character of an ordinary course of action of every day occurrence."

In the present case it is possible that the subject of the adjournment motion could be debated during the ordinary parliamentary opportunities available to members and such being the case, there appears to be no need to upset the day's business to take up this question on an adjournment motion. It is not as if the debate will brook no delay. The shooting took place some days ago. Any delay of a few hours or days in discussing the subject will not interfere with the fair debate of the question, nor will it result in worsening of the existing situation. There is thus no urgency within the technical meaning of our rules.

One other well-understood limitation on the right to move an adjournment motion is that the subject matter must involve more than ordinary administration of law. In the present case, from what could be gathered from the speeches of the members and otherwise, the facts appear to be that a Prohibitory Order was passed and it is alleged that it was defied. And it is further alleged that in the maintenance of law

and order and in order to give effect to the Prohibitory Order shooting had to be resorted to. In such cases where no more than the maintenance of law and order is involved, an adjournment motion will not be admissible.

I am not also quite clear if the matter is not covered by the provision of *sub-judice*. It is admitted that certain cases have been filed against some persons and the question of shooting which is the subject matter of the adjournment motion and the charges against the persons concerned are so intimately connected that the subject matter of the adjournment motion may be expected to form part of the evidence in the case. But I do not rest my decision only on this ground but I am merely setting out another objection to its admissibility.

In these circumstances I hold that the adjournment motion is not in order and I disallow it.

Now the debate on the Rajpramukh's Address will continue.

Change in Programms of Business.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur)—I want certain information from the Leader of the House. According to the programme, they have declared one day as holiday, that is, the 16th. Many people have come from other places. Apart from Monday the 16th, I would request the Leader of the House to agree that Tue-day the 17th also may be declared as a holiday for the convenience of mofussil members.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Leader of the House)—Monday is already a holiday. If the House is willing to work on the 22nd which is a Sunday, the Government will have no objection. Otherwise, the programme will be upset.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಮಹಮದ್ ಇಮಾಂ.—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ನಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿರುವಹಾಗೆ, ಬರುವ ಸೋಮವಾರ ಯುಗಾದಿ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ. ಈಗಿನ ನಮ್ಮ ಪ್ರೋಗ್ರಾಂ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಹಬ್ಬಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಒಂದು ದಿನ ಮಾತ್ರ ರಜಾ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಅನೇಕ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ಬೇರೆ ಬೇರೆ ಊರುಗಳಿಂದ ಬಂದವರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅವರು ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಹೋಗಿ ವಾಪಸು ಮರುದಿನವೇ ಬರಬೇಕೆಂದರೆ ಬಹಳ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲದೆ ಈ ಹಬ್ಬವಿರುವುದು

ನ್ಯಾಯವಾಗಿ ಮೂರು ದಿನ; ಮೊದಲನೆಯ ದಿನ ಚಂದ್ರ ದರ್ಶನ, ಎರಡನೆಯದಿನ ಹೋಳಿಗೆಯ ಹಬ್ಬ, ಮೂರನೆಯ ದಿವಸ ಹಬ್ಬದ ಕರಿ ಎಂದು. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಸೋಮವಾರ ರಜಾ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದಲ್ಲದೆ ಮಂಗಳವಾರವೂ ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ರಜಾ ಎಂದು ಘೋಷಿಸಿದರೆ ಬಹಳ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯದು. ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸಭಾ ನಾಯಕರು ದಯವಿಟ್ಟು ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆಯೆಂದು ನಂಬಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಯಾವುದನ್ನೂ ನಿಖರವಾಗಿ ಈಗಲೇ ಹೇಳಿದರೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಪ್ರೋಗ್ರಾಮನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—We will consider that.

Mr. SPEAKER.—That may be done.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Yes.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The House will not sit on the 17th. That is the understanding.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—On the 12th, there is voting of demands. We will put it off by two days and take it up. General discussion on the Budget we will have from to-morrow, that is, from the 12th, and postpone the consideration of demands to one or two days later. We will work on Sunday the 22nd.

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDA (Maddur).—Instead of sitting on Sunday the 22nd, we will have a sitting in the morning on Sunday the 15th.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The point is this. The Hon'ble Member knows that on Saturday morning, there will be a sitting. In the afternoon, mofussil members will naturally like to leave the place. From Saturday afternoon, they will have 3½ days continuously. So, it is understood we will have general discussion on the Budget to-morrow.

DEBATE ON THE MOTION OF THANKS.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ದೇವರಾಜ್ ಅರಸ್ (ಹುಣಸೂರು).—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ನಿನ್ನೆಯ ದಿವಸ ಶ್ರೀಮಾನ್ ಸಿದ್ದಲಿಂಗಯ್ಯ ನವರು ಮಂಡಿಸಿದ ವಂದನಾ ಸಮರ್ಪಣೆಯ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ಸಮರ್ಥಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಕೆಲವು ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸಲಿಚ್ಛಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ. ರಾಜಪ್ರಮುಖ ಭಾಷಣವನ್ನು ನಾವು ಕೂಲಂಕಷವಾಗಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ನಡೆಸಿರತಕ್ಕ ಎಲ್ಲ ಮುಖ್ಯ ವಿಚಾರಗಳನ್ನೂ ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರಣೆಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈ ಭಾಷಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಸುಮಾರು ಹತ್ತು ಭಾಗಗಳಿವೆ. ಮೊದಲನೆಯದಾಗಿ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ ಪ್ರಸಾರದ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಎರಡನೆಯದಾಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾಭ್ಯಾಸ ಕ್ರಮದ